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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of managing assets for an entity, comprising:
providing an on-line internal trading community;
enabling the entity to form an on-line private trading community with authorized business partners;
enabling the entity to participate in an on-line public marketplace;
permitting the entity to list select assets with each of the on-line internal trading community, the on-line private trading community, and the on-line public marketplace;
permitting the entity to list those select assets not redeployed through the on-line internal trading community with the on-line private trading community or the on-line public marketplace;
allowing the entity a user to view available assets listed on the on-line internal trading community, the on-line private trading community, and the on-line public marketplace; and
providing workflow for automating aspects of executing a transaction through any one of the on-line internal trading community, the on-line private trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

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2. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein providing the on-line internal trading community comprises defining authorized users and roles of the users.

3. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein enabling the entity to form the on-line private trading community comprises participating in an on-line exchange.

4. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein enabling the entity to form the on-line private trading community comprises forming a business relationship with a broker of assets.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein allowing the entity to view assets comprises providing a search capability for enabling a user to search for desired assets.

7. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 6, wherein providing the search capability comprises providing a capability of browsing through categories of assets.

8. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 6, wherein providing the search capability comprises providing a capability of searching by keyword.

9. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 6, wherein providing the search capability comprises providing a capability of tracking certain assets.

10. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 6, wherein providing the search capability comprises providing a capability of being alerted when desired assets become

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listed in one of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

11. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein providing workflow comprises providing workflow for inspecting assets prior to listing the assets.

12. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein providing workflow comprises providing workflow for procuring assets.

13. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein providing workflow comprises providing workflow for listing assets.

14. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein providing workflow comprises providing an approval workflow for obtaining necessary authorizations within the entity.

15. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising categorizing assets being listed in at least one of the of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

16. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 15, further comprising normalizing the categorization of the assets being listed in at least one of the of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

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17. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising providing reporting functionality for enabling a user to manage use of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

18. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising integrating the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace with legacy systems.

19. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, further enabling the entity to view details on assets listed in any of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

20. (Canceled)

21. (New) A method of managing assets for an entity, comprising:
providing an on-line internal trading community;
forming an on-line private trading community with authorized business partners;
listing select assets with the on-line internal trading community;
listing those select assets not redeployed through the on-line internal trading community with the on-line private trading community or with an on-line public marketplace; and

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providing workflow for automating aspects of executing a transaction through any one of the on-line internal trading community, the on-line private trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

22. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, wherein providing the on-line internal trading community comprises defining authorized users and roles of the users.

23. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, wherein forming the on-line private trading community comprises participating in an on-line exchange.

24. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, wherein forming the on-line private trading community comprises forming a business relationship with a broker of assets.

25. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, further comprising providing a search capability for enabling a user to search for desired assets.

26. (New) The method as set forth in claim 25, wherein providing the search capability comprises providing a capability of browsing through categories of assets.

27. (New) The method as set forth in claim 25, wherein providing the search capability comprises providing a capability of searching by keyword.

28. (New) The method as set forth in claim 25, wherein providing the search capability comprises providing a capability of tracking certain assets.

29. (New) The method as set forth in claim 25, wherein providing the search capability comprises providing a capability of being alerted when desired assets become

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listed in one of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

30. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, wherein providing workflow comprises providing workflow for inspecting assets prior to listing the assets.

31. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, wherein providing workflow comprises providing workflow for procuring assets.

32. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, wherein providing workflow comprises providing workflow for listing assets.

33. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, wherein providing workflow comprises providing an approval workflow for obtaining necessary authorizations within the entity.

34. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, further comprising categorizing assets being listed in at least one of the of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

35. (New) The method as set forth in claim 34, further comprising normalizing the categorization of the assets being listed in at least one of the of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

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36. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, further comprising providing reporting functionality for enabling a user to manage use of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.

37. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, further comprising integrating the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace with legacy systems.

38. (New) The method as set forth in claim 21, further comprising enabling a user to view details on assets listed in any of the on-line private trading community, the on-line internal trading community, and the on-line public marketplace.